Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Currently Amended) A system for initiating a witness audit comprising: one or more computers configured to

periodically receive input specifying a query to a central database storing information representing a plurality of available audits required to obtain or maintain an accreditation, each of the queries based on requirements of the witness audit including at least one of SIC code and accreditation type;

for each of the queries, provide a list of the available audits responsive to the query;

display one or more scheduled <u>upcoming</u> dates for a selected audit; receive input representing a confirmation of the one or more scheduled upcoming dates for the selected audit; and

store the confirmation in a corresponding field of the central database.